

RBS and RUS, USDA

§ 4284.12

The grantee certifies that it is in compliance with and will continue to comply with all applicable laws, regulations, Executive Orders and other generally applicable requirements, including those contained in the applicable 7 CFR part 4284 and the Grants and Agreements Departmental Regulations as currently codified in 2 CFR parts 400, 415, 417, 418, and 421, in effect on the date of grant approval, and the approved Letter of Conditions.

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§ 4284.9 Grant disbursement.

The Agency will determine, based on 2 CFR part 200 as adopted by USDA in 2 CFR part 400 whether disbursement of a grant will be by advance or reimbursement.

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§ 4284.10 Ineligible grant purposes.

Grant funds may not be used to:

- (a) Duplicate current services or replace or substitute support previously provided. If the current service is inadequate, however, grant funds may be used to expand the level of effort or services beyond what is currently being provided;
- (b) Pay costs of preparing the application package for funding under this program;
- (c) Pay costs of the project incurred prior to the date of grant approval;
- (d) Fund political activities;
- (e) Pay for assistance to any private business enterprise which does not have a least 51 percent ownership by those who are either citizens of the United States or reside in the United States after being legally admitted for permanent residence;
- (f) Pay any judgment or debt owed to the United States;
- (g) Plan, repair, rehabilitate, acquire, or construct a building or facility (including a processing facility);
- (h) Purchase, rent or install Fixed Equipment;
- (i) Pay for the repair of privately owned vehicles; or
- (j) Fund research and development.

§ 4284.11 Award requirements.

In addition to specific grant requirements, all approved applicants will be required to do the following:

- (a) Enter into an Agency-approved grant agreement with RBS;
- (b) Disclose in writing any potential conflicts of interest and maintain written standards of conduct covering conflicts of interest, including organizational conflicts of interest in accordance with 2 CFR 400.2;
- (c) Use “Request for Advance or Reimbursement” to request advances or reimbursements, as applicable, but not more frequently than once a month;
- (d) Maintain a financial management system that is acceptable to the Agency; and
- (e) Collect and maintain data on race, sex and national origin of the beneficiaries of the project.

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§ 4284.12 Reporting requirements.

Grantees must submit the following to USDA:

- (a) A “Financial Status Report” listing expenditures according to agreed upon budget categories, on a semi-annual basis. Reporting periods end as identified in the grant agreement or applicable program attachment. Reports are due 30 days after the reporting period ends. Failure to submit the required reports within the specified time frame is considered cause for suspension or termination of the grant.
- (b) Semi-annual performance reports that compare accomplishments to the objectives stated in the proposal. Identify all tasks completed to date and provide documentation supporting the reported results. If the original schedule provided in the work plan is not being met, the report should discuss the problems or delays that may affect completion of the project. Objectives for the next reporting period should be listed. Compliance with any special condition on the use of award funds should be discussed. Reports are due as provided in paragraph (a) of this section. The supporting documentation for completed tasks include, but are not limited to, feasibility studies, marketing plans, business plans, articles of